Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 11 Dec 2022 until 23:59 on Monday 12 Dec 2022

Forecast Issued on Saturday 10 Dec 2022 at 14:38 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold weather continuing and for a lot of dry weather and light winds on Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Sunday 11 Dec 2022: Mostly dry with sunny spells. A few snow showers in north and later near to West Coast. Very cold with light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 11 Dec 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Light snow showers	Sunny intervals	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	20%	30%	20%	30%	20%	10%

Forecast for Sunday 11 Dec 2022

Weather: Snow showers continuing over the North Highlands overnight and on Sunday, mostly light and well scattered. A few snow showers affecting hills near to West Coast in the afternoon. Away from these areas it will be dry with sunny spells. There will be sun glare from the lying snow.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%.

Low cloud and visibility: Away from shower the visibility will be very good with some cloud about 700m. Patches of very poor visibility as snow showers pass by with clouds briefly more extensive above 600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	23/28 NE	19/23 NE	17/21 NE	11/13 NE	7/10 W	8/11 SW	7/9 S	8/10 SE	10/13 SE
900	21/26 NE	18/22 NE	16/19 NE	9/11 NE	7/10 W	8/10 SW	7/9 S	8/11 SE	10/13 SE
600	11/15 NE	11/14 NE	9/12 NE	5/7 NE	4/6 SW	6/8 SW	5/8 S	6/9 SE	7/10 SE
300	5/21 NE	5/18 NE	4/16 NE	2/9 NE	4/8 NW	2/8 SW	2/6 S	3/7 SE	4/9 E
Glen	10/19 NE	9/17 NE	5/11 NE	4/7 NE	1/4 N	1/4 N	3/5 E	4/8 E	6/9 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-5/-14	-6/-14	-6/-14	-6/-12	-6/-10	-5/-10	-5/-10	-6/-11	-6/-12
900	-5/-13	-6/-13	-6/-13	-6/-11	-5/-10	-4/-9	-5/-9	-5/-10	-6/-11
600	-3/-8	-4/-9	-4/-9	-4/-7	-3/-6	-3/-6	-3/-6	-3/-7	-4/-8
300	-2/-5	-2/-6	-3/-6	-4/-6	-2/-4	-2/-4	-2/-4	-3/-5	-3/-6
Glen	1/-3	1/-3	0/-2	-1/-3	1/-1	1/-1	1/-1	1/-1	1/-2
Freezing Level*	100m	00m	00m	00m	100m	200m	200m	100m	100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note even with lighter winds on the tops it will still feel bitterly cold. Icy surfaces will making walking conditions difficult.

Forecast for Monday 12 Dec 2022

Weather: Most ranges will have a dry, bitterly cold day with sunny or clear periods. Still a few light snow flurries over hills of north Highlands and near to West Coast. There may be a few freezing fog patches in some glens, very slow to clear.

Maximum wind: Light winds at all levels, mainly southeasterly on the tops, speeds of only 5 to 10mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%

Low cloud and visibility: A few patches of very poor visibility at lower levels as any fog lifts from the glens. Otherwise excellent visibility once again with patchy cloud cover about 700 to 800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 9 Celsius rising to Minus 3 Celsius early in afternoon then plummeting once again.
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Sub-zero temperatures at all levels.

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